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Sir:

This is a request for filing a

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application, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), co-pending U.S. Application No. 09/799,325 filed March 5, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/261,528, filed March 3, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,197,064, which was a continuation of U.S. Application No. 08/892,286, now U.S. Patent No. 5,879,354, which was a divisional of U.S. Application No. 08/649,465, filed May 17, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,755,803, which was a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Application No. 08/603,582, filed February 20, 1996, now U.S. Patent No. 5,810,827, which was a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Application No. 08/300,379, filed September 2, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,514,139, dated May 7, 1996, and which was also a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Application No. 08/479,363, now U.S. Patent No. 5,643,272, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 08/342,143, filed November 18, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,597,379, which is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Application No. 08/300,379, filed September 2, 1994, now U.S. Patent No. 5,514,139, dated May 7, 1996, for: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR FEMORAL AND TIBIAL RESECTION by: Timothy G. Haines. The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification and Abstract - sixty (60) pages
- ☒ Drawings - twenty-three (3) sheets (Figs. 1-50)
- ☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Newly executed
- or
- ☒ Copy from prior application

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2. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This is a ☐ Continuation ☐ Division of Application No. _____ filed _____, which in turn is a _____.--
3. ☐ Priority of foreign application(s) No. _____ filed _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. The certified copy was filed in prior Application No. _____ on _____.
4. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Hudson Surgical Design, Inc. recorded at Reel 011896, Frame 0527.
5. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
6. ☒ Applicants are entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27.
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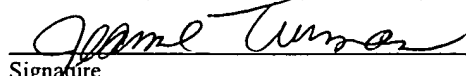


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